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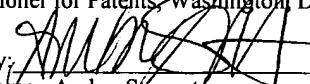
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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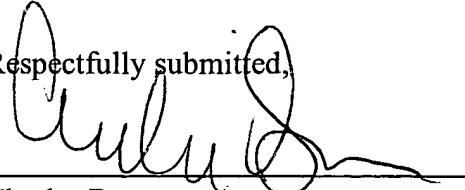
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed June 14, 2000, said period of response being extended from August 14, 2000 to November 14, 2000.

Our check in the amount of \$195.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Date: November 13, 2000

Respectfully submitted,

  
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